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EMBEDMENT DEVICE FOR FIBER-

**ENHANCED SLURRY** 

Art Unit:

1722

Examiner:

EWALD, Maria Veronica

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL** 

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above-identified application.

## Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

	As Amended		Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Additional Fee	
Total Claims	12		20	=		x	\$ 50.00	==	\$	0
Independent Claims	3		3	_ =		x	\$200.00	=	\$	0
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims \$360.00						=	\$	0		
					Total.	Add	itional Fee		\$	0
Small Entity Fee (reduced by half)							\$			

- (X) Amendment  $\underline{B}$ .
- (X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

April 10, 2006

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Respectfully submitted,

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## **AMENDMENT B**

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Official Action mailed January 18,

2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.